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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, §1.97, §1.98, and MPEP §609, applicant encloses a copy of the references listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08A for consideration by the Examiner. The references are discussed/cited in the enclosed Japanese Office Action, with the English translation thereof, issued in the corresponding Japanese application 2004-047852, on 17 December 2008. The reference not enclosed, International publication 2002/018135(WO02/18135), has previously been disclosed as part of this application.

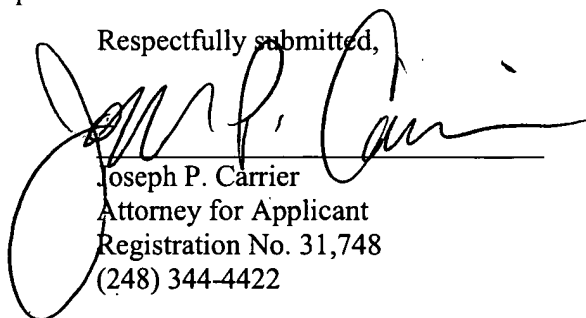
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Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

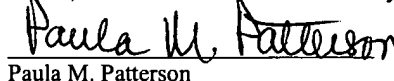
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